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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Norbert MAROCCO  
Serial No.: 09/814,261  
For: SINGLE PLATE CUT DOWN APPARATUS  
Filed: March 21, 2001  
Examiner: Jason D. Prone  
Art Unit: 3724  
Confirmation No.: 5581  
Customer No.: 27,623

Attorney Docket No.: 625.0006USQ

**Mail Stop AF  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

We are enclosing an Amendment in response to the communication dated January 25, 2005 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$\_\_\_\_\_ to extend the time for filing this response until \_\_\_\_\_.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	9	Minus	20	0	x \$50.00	\$
Independent Claims	2	Minus	3	0	x \$200.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$360.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$0.00		
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY				\$N/A		

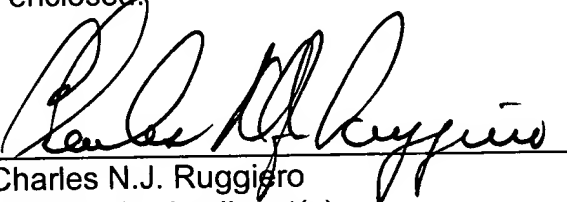
The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 0.00 .

       A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

March 24, 2006

Date



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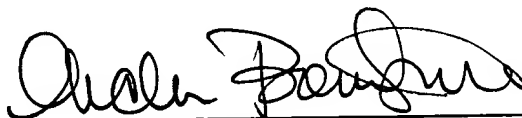
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 25, 2006,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.